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SUBJECT: ERMISS - EXPLOSION RESISTANT MULTI-INFLUENCE SWEEP SYSTEM MOU

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1. THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE US REPRESENTATIVE AT THE 1 JUNE 1978 MEETING OF THE NATO NAVAL ARMAMENTS GROUP REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING CLARIFICATION. DOD JUST COMPLETED THE REVIEWS PREREQUISITE TO OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE ERMISS PROJECT. STATE REVIEW IS NOU IN PROCESS. WHILE THE PROSPECTS OF THE US SIGNING THE MOU ARE REASONABLY GOOD, THE INTERPRETATION BY THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS) THAT THE US WAS READY TO SIGN THE MOU IS CONFIDENTIAL

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PREMATURE AND UNWARRANTED.

2. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES FINAL APPROVAL FOR SIGNING THE ERMISS MOU IN TIME FOR DR. PERRY'S VISIT TO BRUSSELS UNE 26-27 IS NOT POSSIBLE. SUGGEST YOU ADVISE THE IS (NAVAL ARMAMENTS SECTION) OF THE FORE-GOING AND HOLD THE FIVE COPIES OF THE ERMISS MOU

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